
Title: Proto-Human Fossil

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The discovery of the protohuman fossil is an extraordinary leap in understanding the place of humanity in Sosaria.

Most research into this topic has been done through examination of remnant groups such as Troggs and evolutionary offshoots of intelligent like.

It is otherwise unknown as to if the elves, orcs, gargoyles, or other races share a common ancestor with Humanity, or if the sentient races of Sosaria are somehow independant of one another from an ancient history standpoint.

Certainly the elven histories suggest their own 'highborn' view of themselves. The gargoyle histories are convoluted geneologies, that make even the most learned of men cross their eyes. The Orcs have long held the view that they are sprung from the blood of some sort of blood based diety they call "BludGod" but rather it is simply a tribal, animistic quasi-religion with no understandable origin theory.

I would like to think that Humanity would take a less religious or spiritual direction and instead base itself on facts.

As currently published,
the oldest fossil known
to exist is that of the
creature called "Zog".

Of which we know very
little, I have had at
great length the
opportunity to examine
the Zog fossil, and have
come to the conclusion
that it is impossible to
know what sort of being
that the fossil came
from, and the identity of
Zog will forever be
unknowable. Since the
skull portion of the Fossil
has been lost to time,
there is not enough data
to be had.

Given the historical, and
legendary status of Zog
and his infamous betrayal
of Sosaria to the
Xorinite, it is no wonder
that the various races of
Sosaria are hesitant to
claim the status of 'the
oldest race' because of
the connection to the
fossil and what that
would mean for them
historically.

However, in excavating
the ancient temple site
near Destard, I have
recently uncovered an
older, and much more
ancient site within the
main site.

This secondary site, I
have kept secret, but
could date to somewhere
between 800,000 to 1.2
million years ago. Making
this discovery 100,000 to
400,000 years PRIOR to
the death and betrayal of
the Zog creature.

Politically this discovery
could also be difficult,
because indeed, the
fossil is decidedly human.

This would mean that this
single fossil, in the
strata of fossilized
vegetation of plantlife
known to have died out in
the Zog aremageddon, is
the oldest fossil of a
sentient race in existence.

Moreover, that the fossil
itself is NOT that of a
Trog, or other
sub/pre-human ancestor,
but an actual human
being!

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*The book seems
unfinished, and appears to
have been drafted around
the time of Josiah
Havel's death*